The guard serves as a warning indicator if the fingers engage it and further supports and deflects the finger and hand from the gap area in the event the person falls against the door with any substantial force. Additionally, it will cover the joint therebetween to eliminate drafts and introduction of dirt and other foreign matter when the door is closed. The outer curved construction of the outer unit particularly provides a very pleasing appearance which is of substantial significance in connection with commercial application in connection with homes and other similar locations where the aesthetic consideration is important.

Although the guard units of this invention may be formed of any desired materials which permit the above functioning, the cover and mounting strips may be readily and advantageously formed of suitable plastics by extrusion processes. The covers would of course be formed of a suitable pliable plastic and the mounting strips of a rigid plastic. In the extrusion of the mounting strips, the scribe line 33 may be formed directly by suitable construction of the die. The mounting strips may also be secured to the door by an adhesive such as an epoxy resin or other suitable material.

The guard of the present invention can be readily and simply constructed to provide a long life door joint cover. Further, the guard can be installed with a minimum amount of skill and with tools usually readily available. The exposed edge of each mounting strip also provides a sharp and distinct edge on the door for painting of the door up to the corresponding guard units.

Various modes of carrying out the invention are contemplated as being within the scope of the following claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which is regarded as the invention.

I claim:

1. A protective cover assembly for horizontally sectionalized garage doors and the like, comprising

a generally V-shaped member of flexible material defining a pair of panels of a substantially constant thickness interconnected by an integral thickened point at the outer proximal edges with the outer surfaces of the panels and the point being in alignment to define a generally triangular cross-section, said thickened point establishing a strong firm junction whereby said panels flex during the opening and closing of the door, the inner free edges of each panel having enlarged beads integrally secured thereto, and

anchor strips one each for mounting of the free edges to the proximal edges of adjacent garage door sections, each anchor strip having a mounting base and a socket extending longitudinally thereof to receive the corresponding bead with an entrance to the socket smaller than the bead but larger than the thickness of the panel to permit pivotal movement of the panel relative to the anchor strips.

2. The cover assembly of claim 1 wherein said pair of panels constitutes a curved top wall and a curved bottom wall meeting at the integral thickened point.

3. The protective cover assembly of claim 1 in combination with flexible material having a generally U-shaped cross-section and a substantially constant thickness with enlarged beads integrally secured to the free edges, and

inner anchor strips one for each of the free edges of the inner covers, each of said inner anchor strips having a mounting base and a socket extending longitudinally thereof to receive the corresponding bead with an entrance to the socket smaller than the bead but larger than the thickness of the panel to permit pivotal movement of the panel relative to the anchor strips.

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